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How's this

A VISIT to League Champions Aston Villa . . . that's the daunting prospect facing promoted Notts County of the opening day of the new season on August 29.

Their Eire full back Ray O'Brien summed it all up by saying: "The celebrations are over, we've now got to face realism."

"The visit to Villa will really show our players how tough it's going to be. We've got a young side and this will bring home a few home truths."

"If we had played one of the other promoted sides like West Ham or Swans then there would have been no real difference."

"But this is going to be a big test for us. If we don't settle down quickly to First Division life then we'll probably struggle like Leicester."

"We did fairly well against Villa in their Second Division days but they are now a far different kettle of fish."

After the Villa visit, County, back in the top flight after an absence of 51 years, face FA Cup finalists Manchester City in their first home match.

And City put five past Jimmy Sirrel's side in the League Cup last season: "That's now history but it just underlines what task lies ahead of us in the First Division", adds Ray.

ASTON VILLA v NOTTS COUNTY

"It could have been a lot worse". That was how Swansea full back Wyndham Evans greeted the Welsh club's opening First Division matches — at home to Leeds and away to Brighton.

"I know that all matches in the First Division are going to be tough, but we could have landed Liverpool, Arsenal or Ipswich which would have been a far more difficult task."

"We really wanted a home game in the hope of getting a good win under our belts. Leeds will be a difficult side to beat, but Alan Curtis is looking forward



ROOTHERHAM v NORWICH

ATKINSON v SEXTON

Above: West Ham winger Jimmy Neighbour looking forward to an early clash with former club Tottenham.

Right: David Hodgson shattered Tottenham with a hat-trick in Middlesbrough's 4-1 win at Ayresome Park last season.

Far right: Swansea full back Wyndham Evans says the opening matches "could have been worse".



for starters?

The fixtures are out and Match Weekly previews some of the intriguing first day tests.

to it having moved from there last season."

Tottenham's White Hart Lane ground is sure to be full in the first week of the new season for the visit of Second Division champions West Ham.

The Hammers face a midweek trip across London for an early showdown with the FA Cup winners after marking their return to the top flight with a home game against Brighton.

But the prospect of an early local derby doesn't worry West Ham's former Spurs winger Jimmy Neighbour.

"If we can get a good win against Brighton on the opening day then our confidence will be sky high.

"We've got to visit Tottenham sometime so we might as well go there early on because it will give us a chance to assess how tough the First Division will be.

"It's important for promoted teams to get a good start to the season.

Experience shows that if you don't pick up some early points then you struggle."

Ironically, Coventry manager Dave Sexton, sacked by Manchester United at the end of last season, duly faces his old club now managed by ex-West Brom boss Ron Atkinson on the first day.

Southampton's visit to Nottingham Forest should provide one of the attractive clashes of the day, while European Champions Liverpool will be keen to avoid the 4-1 drubbing they received on their last trip to Wolves.

Above: Notts County full back Ray O'Brien faces a First Division baptism of fire away to League Champions Aston Villa.
Below: Wyndham Evans (Swansea).

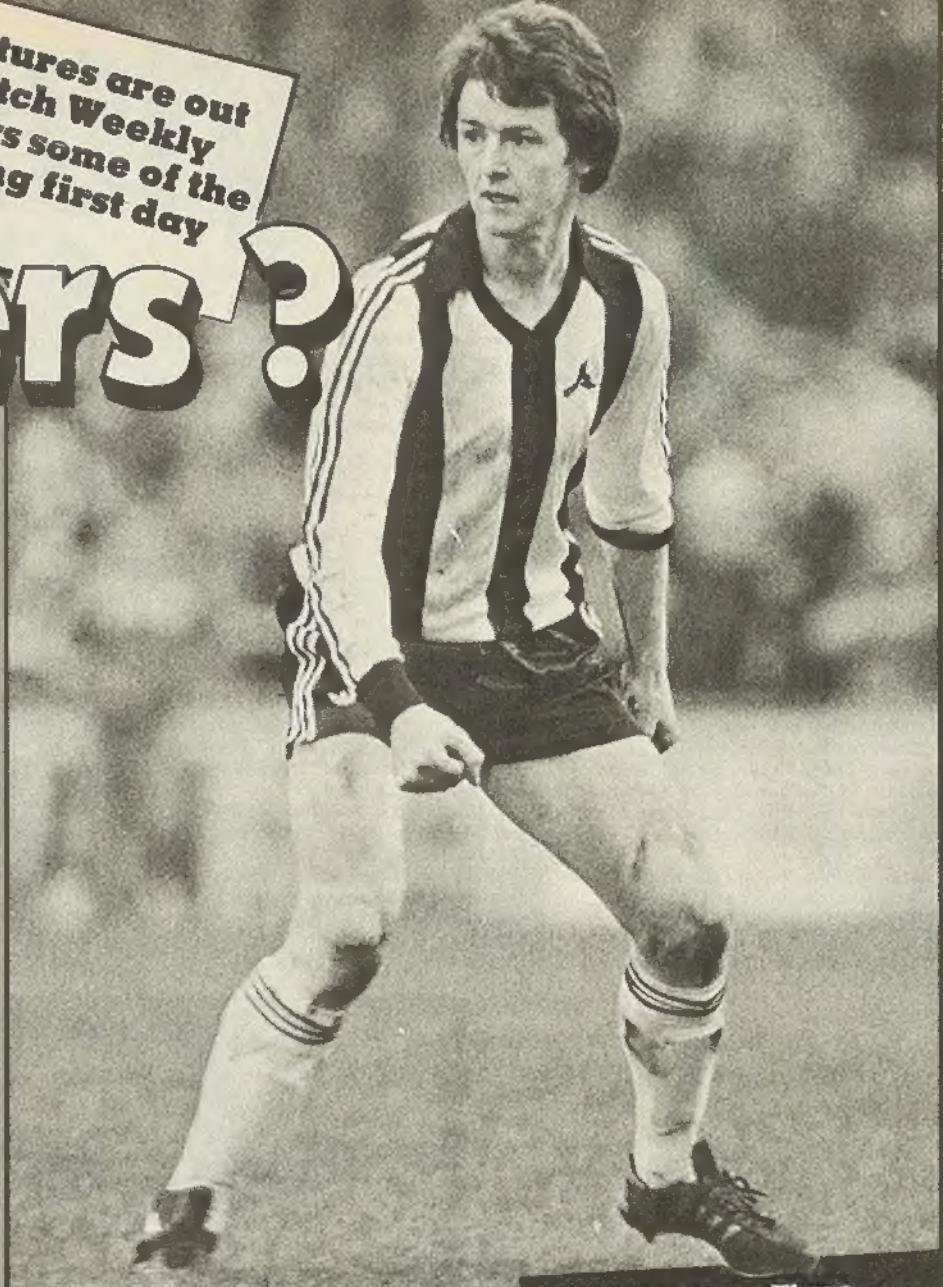
Opening day fixtures

Division One

- Arsenal v Stoke
- Aston Villa v Notts County
- Everton v Birmingham
- West Ham v Brighton
- Coventry v Man. United
- Ipswich v Sunderland
- Swansea v Leeds
- Wolves v Liverpool
- Man. City v West Brom
- Middl'brough v Tottenham
- Nott'm Forest v Southampton

Division Two

- Barnsley v Shrewsbury
- Blackburn v Sheff. Wed.
- Chelsea v Bolton
- C. Palace v Cambridge
- Oldham v Cardiff
- Luton v Charlton
- Derby v Orient
- Grimsby v Leicester
- Newcastle v Watford
- Rotherham v Norwich
- Wrexham v Q.P.R.



Division Three

- Fulham v Brentford
- Carlisle v Bristol City
- Bristol Rovers v Chester
- Gillingham v Burnley
- Newport v Chesterfield
- Doncaster v Reading
- Huddersfield v Exeter
- Portsmouth v Lincoln
- Millwall v Preston
- Plymouth v Oxford
- Walsall v Southend
- Swindon v Wimbledon

Division Four

- Bournemouth v Crewe
- Aldershot v Darlington
- Blackpool v Stockport
- Bradford City v Wigan
- Bury v Rochdale
- Hartlepool v Colchester
- Port Vale v Halifax
- Sheffield Utd. v Hereford
- Torquay v Hull
- Peterborough v Mansfield
- Northampton v Scunthorpe
- Tranmere v York City

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ASTON VILLA and England striker Peter Withe continues his fascinating life story... exclusive to Match Weekly. This week — how the move from Birmingham to Nottingham Forest shot him to soccer stardom. And the facts behind Forest's dramatic rise from Second Division also-rans to League Champions.

SIGNING for Nottingham Forest was the best move of my career.

I say that with no disrespect to my current club Aston Villa. Joining Forest has to be the best because it proved so successful for me.

When I signed in September 1976 Forest were 12th in the Second Division and nobody could have imagined the success they would achieve in the following couple of years.

In just two seasons under Brian Clough and Peter Taylor we gained promotion to Division One, and I picked up League Championship, League Cup and Anglo Scottish Cup winners medals.

Looking back to before my move it was obvious that I didn't fit in with Birmingham manager Willie Bell's plans.

So after playing just three games for

'The Blues' that season I was given the opportunity of signing for Forest.

"I've been chasing you so long that I was beginning to think I'd never get you," said Peter Taylor as I signed on the dotted line.

He had tried to lure me to Third Division Brighton when I was at Wolves.

This time I was happy to join him because I was confident that Clough and Taylor would be successful. They'd won things in the past and I couldn't see that changing.

As far as I was concerned the move to Forest was a backward step to go forwards... and that's how it proved to be.

My career in a Forest shirt couldn't have started more sweetly. I scored on my League debut for them as we hammered Carlisle 5-1.

Ian Bowyer (now with Sunderland) got two with Viv Anderson and John O'Hare adding the others.

I finished the season as Forest's top scorer with 16 League goals and we crept into the First Division behind Champions Wolves and second placed Chelsea.

Taylor gets the PETER WITHE Story

Right: Here I am in full flight for Nottingham Forest — when I signed they were a middle of road Second Division team. When I left they were League Champions.

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all the words
and more....



FROM YOUR NEWSAGENT NOW!

My goal put Forest up

MY MOST memorable goal during my two year stay at Nottingham Forest was the one which put us top of Division One for the first time.

It wasn't my most spectacular, but I'll always treasure it.

We'd played a couple of games on our return to the top flight and we knew that we had to beat Bristol City at the City Ground to go top of the table.

The crowd were willing us to score throughout the match, but it wasn't until two minutes from time that I broke the deadlock with the winner.

Scottish international John Robertson took a free kick on the right. I was 18 yards out but got above the centre half to power a header past the City keeper.

My striking partner at Forest was Tony Woodcock and we had a special understanding.

I've been lucky because the right blend has been there with all the strikers I've paired up with in my time.

There was Derek Dougan at Wolves, Trevor Francis at Birmingham, Alan Shoulder at Newcastle and, of course, Gary Shaw with my present club Aston Villa. Obviously for the first few games you



My striking partner Tony Woodcock and I leave the field after helping Forest to another victory in our battle for the First Division title.

have moments of misunderstanding, but after that we've always clicked and been on the same wavelength.

I've been asked which striker I preferred partnering and it's a question I can't answer. It would be very hard to single any one of them out because they've all contributed their share.

his man - and the medals roll in



NEXT WEEK:
My bust-up with
Brian Clough!

I told the crowd
'I'll score four'
...and I did

THREE crucial signings — Peter Shilton, Kenny Burns and Archie Gemmill — turned Nottingham Forest into one of the most feared teams in Europe.

There's no doubt that their experience won us the Championship in our first season back in Division One.

The manager splashed out a then club record fee of £250,000 to bring England international Peter from Stoke, and bought my old team-mate Kenny from Birmingham and Archie from Brian's former team Derby.

These were really exciting times for us. We stormed to the top of the League in October and stayed there for the rest of the season.

Everyone kept waiting for our bubble to burst, but it didn't and we kept on winning.

On our way to the Championship we picked up the League Cup after beating Liverpool 1-0 in a replay at Old Trafford with a John Robertson penalty.

Appearing in a Wembley final is something I'll never forget. It has to rate as one of the highlights of my career — even though the game resulted in a disappointing 0-0 draw.

Wembley apart it was always one of my ambitions to score a hat-trick — and that same season I went one better by scoring all our four goals in a victory over eventual FA Cup winners Ipswich.

I can vividly remember completing my hat-trick because I signalled to the crowd that I'd get four and that's exactly what I did.

Once again I finished the season as Forest's top scorer — hitting 19 League and cup goals. But one of the reasons why we won the Championship was because everyone could score.

That year five players — myself, John Robertson, Tony Woodcock, Martin O'Neill and Ian Bowyer — finished in double figures.

We'd stopped Liverpool winning the title for the third year in succession and I looked forward to my first season in Europe and signing a new contract at the City Ground.



Above: Archie Gemmill.



In our hands



says Scotland's Davie Provan

SCOTLAND still have plenty of sweat to shed before collecting their tickets for the World Cup Finals.

That's the view of Celtic winger Davie Provan — despite the fact that Scotland need just three points from their final three matches to guarantee their passage to Spain.

Scottish fans expect two of those points to come from the last home match against Sweden in September, but Davis, a newcomer to Jock Stein's squad, adds a touch of caution to Hampden optimism.

"I know we won 1-0 in Sweden last September, but they are a different side now as they showed when defeating Northern Ireland recently, so it won't be easy for us at Hampden," says Davis, who scored his first goal for Scotland in the 3-1 defeat of Israel in April.

"In my opinion we still have the hardest games to come. Going to Belfast and Portugal won't be easy by any means although our away performances have improved.

Club side

"We've won in England, Sweden and Israel and I think the manager has the team playing like a club side with everyone working for each other.

"At this stage it's nice to be sitting on top of the group knowing that our fate is in our hands and we don't have to rely on other teams.

"There is certainly a mood of optimism in the Scottish camp, particularly after the win at Wembley, but the manager won't let us run away with the idea that we are virtually there.

"There is plenty of work to be done but I'm certainly

Scotland's World Cup results to date

DATE	OPPONENTS	RESULT	SCORERS
Sept. 10, 1980	Sweden (a)	1-0	Strachan
Oct. 15, 1980	Portugal (h)	0-0	
Feb. 25, 1981	Israel (a)	1-0	Dalglish
March 25, 1981	N. Ireland (h)	1-1	Wark
April 29, 1981	Israel (h)	3-1	Robertson (2) Provan

● Scotland's Group Six results first in each case.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Scotland	5	3	2	0	6	2	8
N. Ireland	6	2	2	2	5	3	6
Portugal	4	2	1	1	4	1	5
Sweden	5	1	2	2	1	5	2
Israel	6	0	3	3	2	8	3

* Table does not include result of Sweden v Portugal game played on June 17.

Remaining fixtures in Scotland's group are as follows: SCOTLAND v Sweden (Sept. 9); Portugal v Sweden, Northern Ireland v SCOTLAND (Oct. 14); Israel v Portugal (Oct. 28); Northern Ireland v Israel, Portugal v SCOTLAND (Nov. 18).



Davie Provan: "The manager won't let us run away with the idea that we are virtually there."

Below: John Robertson (left) — in action for Nottingham Forest against Arsenal's Brian Talbot — scored two goals in Scotland's 3-1 victory over Israel.

keeping my fingers crossed. "It's my ambition to play in the World Cup Finals, but I also realise that I have to establish myself in the team and that will be my main task next season."

The inclusion of Davie along with Nottingham Forest winger John Robertson was regarded as a bold, positive move by Jock Stein for the visit of Israel.

But both got on the scoresheet in the 3-1 win which was the first time Scotland had scored more than one goal in the qualifying competition so far.

Scottish fans hope the goals continue to flow for in the last two World Cup Finals, they have failed to reach the quarter finals on goal difference despite an abundance of top class strikers.

"I think it's baffling to everyone — both in Scotland and south of the border," says Davis.

"I don't know what the problem is although it is obviously more difficult to score goals at international level than for your club."





FRANK LAMPARD WEST HAM

FULL NAME: Frank Richard Lampard.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: East Ham, London, Sept. 20, 1948.
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 11ins/12st 9lb.
MARRIED: Yes, to Pat.
CHILDREN: Natalie (10), Claire (6), Frank (3).
WORST INJURY: Broke leg in 1967.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: There's no-one in the game now who springs to mind — George Best was always my favourite.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: I'm a Londoner so I like all London clubs.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Diego Maradona (Argentina) — he's on a par with Pele.
BEST ALL-TIME BRITISH TEAM: Leeds Championship winning squad of 1973-74. Sprake, Reaney, Madeley, Bremner, McQueen, Hunter, Lorimer, Clarke, Jones, Giles, Eddie Gray, Jordan, Cherry.
ALL-TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: The Holland team which reached the final of the World Cup in Germany in 1974. Jongbloed, Suubier, Rijsbergen, Haan, Krol, Jansen, Van Hanegem, Neeskens, Rep, Cruyff, Rensenbrink.
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Old Trafford.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM: Olympic Stadium, Munich.
BEST GOAL SCORED: My diving header in the FA Cup semi-final against Everton at Elland Road which got us to Wembley in 1980.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: George

Best (Man. Utd. and Northern Ireland).
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: My England debut against Yugoslavia in 1972.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Winning the FA Cup for the first time with West Ham against Fulham in 1974-75.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being relegated with West Ham in 1977-78.
FAVOURITE SPORTS: Squash and cricket.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Being involved in my business interests.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Traffic, TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Party political broadcasts.
FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER: Brian Ferry and Lou Rowles.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak and scampi — but not together!
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Bermuda.
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Sylvester Stallone/Stephanie Powers.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: The managers I've played under at West Ham, Ron Greenwood, and John Lyall.
WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Waiting for the bus that takes us to away games.
SUPERSTITIONS: Put shorts on last.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Cheese on toast.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Six England youth, seven Under-23 and two full caps.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To become a manager.
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Mark Scarvie — striker at West Ham.
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Be dedicated to the game.

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Danny McGrain
CELTIC and
SCOTLAND

V IS FOR...

- FA Cup Final hero Ricardo VILLA, whom Spurs fans are delighted to hear has signed a new contract to stay at White Hart Lane after his two goals for Spurs which defeated Manchester City at Wembley.
- Belgian stars like Francois VAN DER ELST, Rene VANDEREYCKEN, Edwin VAN DER BERGH and Wilfrid VAN MOER who brought their unfancied country to within an ace of winning the European Championship last year.
- The VOLLEY, striking of the ball in mid air, which produces such spectacular goals, like the incredible Ian Edwards shot which brought two points for Wrexham at Derby.
- The home of the current League champions VILLA Park, which has seen so many dramatic matches, not only involving Aston Villa, but FA Cup semi-finals and this season's Football League Cup final replay when Liverpool scored a 2-1 VICTORY over West Ham.
- And let's not forget the grounds of Swansea City (VETCH Field), Bradford City (VALLEY Parade), Port VALE (VALE Park), and Charlton

- Athletic (The VALLEY).
- 1979 Winners of the North American Soccer Bowl, VANCOUVER Whitecaps, who included in their talented side, Oldham's Carl VALENTINE.
- Everton's London born striker Imre VARADI, whose scoring skills have been attracting the attention of crack Portuguese side Benfica, Roger De VRIES of Blackburn, consistent Portsmouth defender Keith VINEY, Wrexham's goal-grabber Micky VINTER, Newport midfielder Nigel VAUGHAN, and Belgian born Roger VAN GOOL of Coventry.
- Queen's Park Rangers manager Terry VENABLES whose VISION of top English football all the year round on artificial surfaces looks like becoming reality with the introduction of synthetic turf at Loftus Road.

V is for . . . South African born Chelsea schemer Colin Viljoen (right).

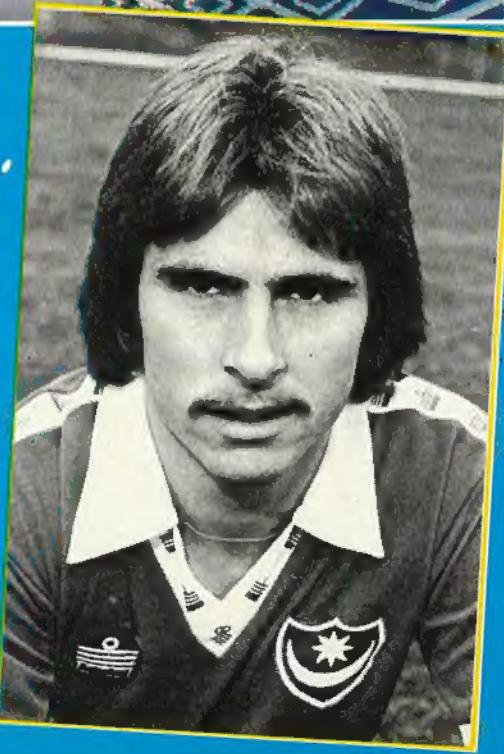
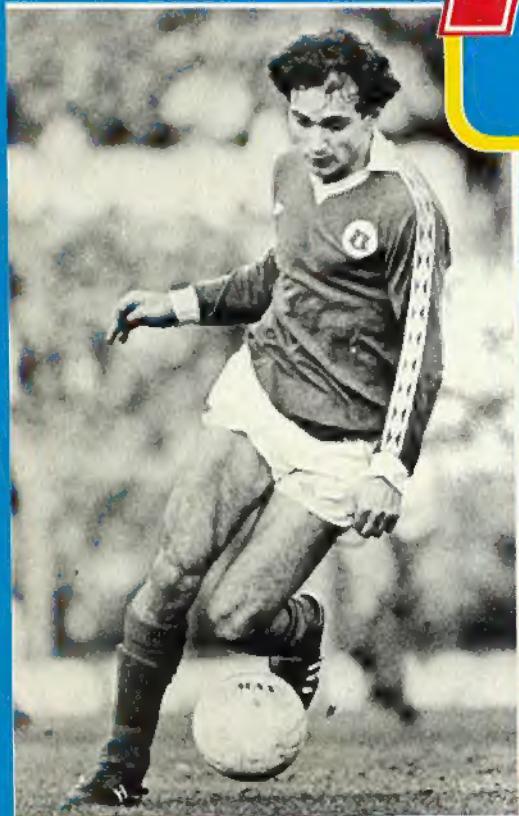
A to Z of soccer

Did you know . . .

- Since substitutes were introduced at the start of the 1965-66 season the only player who has achieved a hat-trick as a 'Sub' in a Football League match was Geoff Vowden — for Birmingham City in a Division Two fixture against Huddersfield Town on September 7, 1968.
- There have been 19 post-War instances of players achieving hat-tricks in their Football League debut matches, and the last of them was that of Colin Viljoen (now with Chelsea) for Ipswich Town against Portsmouth on March 25, 1967.
- Since the Football League's 1888 formation only three players whose surnames began with the letter 'V' have figured in F.A. Cup-winning teams: Colin Veitch (Newcastle United in 1909-10), Ted Vizard (Bolton Wanderers in 1922-23 and 1925-26), and Terry Venables (Spurs in 1966-67).

V is for . . . Imre Varadi of Everton (left).

V is for . . . Portsmouth defender Keith Viney (right).





Ian Porterfield (above) . . . a new challenge with Sheffield United. Right: Has Tommy Docherty the remedy for Preston's problems?

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MAN CITY—John Bond
MAN UNITED—Ron Atkinson
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Notts County—Jimmy Sirrel
SOUTHAMPTON—Lawnie
McNamee
STOKE—
SUNDERLAND—Alan Durban
SWANSEA—John Toshack
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WEST BROM—
WEST HAM—John Lyall
WOLVES—John Barnwell

SECOND DIVISION

BARNESLEY—Norman Hunter
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CARDIFF—Ritchie Morgan
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LUTON—David Pleat
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ORIENT—Jimmy Bloomfield
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ROtherham—
SHEFF WEDNESDAY—Jack Charlton
SHREWSBURY—Graham Turner
WATFORD—Graham Taylor
WREXHAM—Mei Sutton

Norwich City manager and ex-England half-back Ken Brown can claim to be one of very few Soccer types who ever drew pay packets from two Football League clubs at the same time. In season 1967-68 he was a Torquay United player on a Saturday and the organiser of West Ham United's pool during the week.

THIRD DIVISION

BRENTFORD—Fred Callaghan
BRISTOL CITY—Bob Houghton
BRISTOL ROVERS—Terry Cooper
BURNLEY—Brian Miller
CARLISLE—Bob Stokoe
CHESTER—Alan Oakes
CHESTERFIELD—Frank Barlow
DONCASTER—Billy Bremner
EXETER—Brian Godfrey
FULHAM—Malcolm Macdonald
GILLINGHAM—
HUDDERSFIELD—Mick Buxton
LINCOLN—Colin Murphy
MILLWALL—Peter Anderson
NEWPORT—Len Ashurst
OXFORD—Ian Greaves
PLYMOUTH—
PORTSMOUTH—Frank Burrows
PRESTON—Tommy Docherty
READING—Maurice Evans
SOUTHEND—Dave Smith
SWINDON—John Trollope
WALSALL—Alan Buckley
WIMBLEDON—Dave Bassett

FOURTH DIVISION

BOURNEMOUTH—David Webb
ALDERSHOT—Len Walker
BLACKPOOL—Allan Brown
BRADFORD CITY—Roy McFarland
BURY—Jim Hey
COLCHESTER—Bobby Roberts
CREWE—Tony Waddington
DARLINGTON—Billy Elliott
HALIFAX—George Kirby
HARTLEPOOL—Billy Horner
HEREFORD—Frank Lord
HULL CITY—Mike Smith
MANSFIELD—
NORTHAMPTON—Bill Dodgin
PETERBOROUGH—Peter Morris
PORT VALE—John McGrath
ROCHDALE—Peter Madden
SCUNTHORPE—John Duncan
SHEFFIELD UNITED—Ian Porterfield
STOCKPORT—Jimmy McGuigan
TORQUAY—Frank O'Farrell
TRANMERE—Bryan Hamilton
WIGAN—Larry Lloyd
YORK—Barry Lyons

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to the managers

Who's



SCOTTISH PREMIER

ABERDEEN—Alex Ferguson
AIRDRIE—Bobby Watson
CELTIC—Billy McNeill
DUNDEE—Donald Mackay
DUNDEE UNITED—Jim McLean
HIBERNIAN—Bertie Auld
MORTON—Benny Rooney
PATRICK THISTLE—Peter Carmack
RANGERS—John Greig
ST. MIRREN—Ricky McFarlane



KNOW YOUR CLUB

MOST LEAGUE POINTS: 64, Division One, 1957-58.
MOST LEAGUE GOALS: 115, Division Two, 1931-32.
HIGHEST LEAGUE SCORER IN A SEASON: Dennis Westcott, 37, Division One, 1946-47.
MOST CAPPED PLAYER: Billy Wright, 105, England (70 consecutive).
APPEARANCES: Billy Wright, 491, 1946-59.
GOALS AGGREGATE: Bill Hartill, 164, 1928-35.
RECORD TRANSFER FEE RECEIVED: £1,150,000 from Manchester City for Steve Daley, September 1979.
RECORD TRANSFER FEE PAID: £1,175,000 to Aston Villa for Andy Gray, September 1979.

WOLVES

YEAR FORMED: 1877.
ADDRESS AND CLUB SHOP: Molineux Grounds, Wolverhampton WV1 4QR.
TELEPHONE: Wolv. 712181.
GROUND CAPACITY: 41,074.
RECORD ATTENDANCE: 61,315 v Liverpool, FA Cup fifth round, FEBRUARY 11, 1939.
RECORD RECEIPTS: £80,839 v Swindon, League Cup semi-final, February 12, 1980.
PITCH MEASUREMENTS: 115yds x 72yds.
LEAGUE RECORD: 1888 Original members of the League; 1906-23 Division Two; 1923-24 Division Three (North); 1924-32 Division Two; 1932-65 Division One; 1965-67 Division Two; 1967-76 Division One; 1976-77 Division Two; 1977-

Division One.
HONOURS: Division One champions 1953-54, 1957-58, 1958-59; Division One runners-up 1937-38, 1938-39, 1949-50, 1954-55, 1959-60; Division Two champions 1931-32, 1976-77; Division Two runners-up 1966-67; Division Three (North) champions 1923-24; FA Cup winners 1893, 1908, 1949, 1960; FA Cup runners-up 1889, 1896, 1921, 1939; League Cup winners 1973-74, 1979-80; UEFA Cup runners-up 1971-72.
RECORD VICTORY: 14-0 v Crosswell's Brewery, FA Cup second round, 1886-87.
RECORD DEFEAT: 1-10 v Newton Heath, Division One, October 15, 1892.

THE managerial merry-go-round in the Football League continues to spin at an incredible rate.

Since the start of last season almost half of the 92 clubs have changed managers with teams like Manchester City, Crystal Palace and Blackpool switching more than once.

Such has been the movement in the managerial market this summer that twenty teams will have new men at the helm when the season kicks off on August 29, eight of them in the First Division.

Ron Atkinson and Alan Durban have transferred their allegiances to Manchester United and Sunderland respectively, leaving vacancies at West Brom and Stoke that were still to be filled at the time of going to press.

Ron Atkinson, formerly with Kettering and Cambridge United, has wasted no time in making a firm pledge to United's vast army of fans.

"United, as the biggest club in

the country, represent all that's best in football. We've come to expect them to play with style, flair, passion and everything that excites the fans . . . and I see it as my duty to continue that tradition," he says.

"If it's at all possible I would like to try to bring the best players in the country to Old Trafford providing they become available.

"It would be unfair at this stage to name anyone in particular, but I've gone on record in the past as saying that the best player in the country is Bryan Robson at my old club West Brom.

"But equally I must assess the current squad at United . . . and let's face it there are some very fine footballers here.

"It would be dangerous of me to set myself a rigid target . . . but let's just say I would be very disappointed if, at the very least, we don't claim a place in Europe each season."

Apart from Albion and Stoke, there were six other managerial positions to be filled — Brighton, Rotherham, Bolton, Plymouth, Gillingham and Mansfield — at the time of going to press.

Back in the First Division, former Blackburn boss Howard Kendall will be out to challenge Liverpool's supremacy on

the



Above: Dave Sexton . . . in charge of Coventry young team.

Below: Bobby Robson out to guide Ipswich to the title

the boss?

Merseyside following his return to Everton

Dave Sexton, Coventry's new manager, will be keen to prove a point or two to his former employers, Manchester United, while ex-Celtic star Bobby Murdoch is determined to bring some success to Middlesbrough after stepping up from the coaching ranks to replace John Neal, now with Chelsea.

Like Murdoch, Wrexham midfield player Mel Sutton has been appointed from within the ranks to succeed Arfon Griffiths at the Second Division club, while Kendall's successor at

Blackburn is Bobby Sexton who quit Third Division Plymouth in order to get the job.

Probably the most interesting appointment was made by Third Division Preston who recalled former player Tommy Docherty from Australia to replace Nobby Stiles.

And the former Manchester United boss, who started last season in charge of Second Division Queen's Park Rangers, immediately responded to the task by saying that he wanted to guide Preston back to the First Division.



Top: Ron Atkinson . . . now in the hot seat at Old Trafford.

Above: Alan Durban . . . can he bring glory back to Sunderland?



Why is it that so many men who have been with Arsenal as player, manager, or coach have been decorated in Royal Honours Lists? They actually tot up to the equivalent of a complete "team" with the recent addition of England team manager Ron Greenwood, once a coach at Highbury! Billy Wright, Denis Compton, Brian Close, Frank McLintock, and, now, Greenwood, all received the C.B.E., Tom Whittaker, Arfon Griffiths, and Pat Jennings the M.B.E., and George Eastham, Joe Mercer, and Bernard Joy an O.B.E.

STRIKING PARTNERS

Among this jumble of top goalscorers you will find four lethal striking duos. How quickly can you pair them up?

A



B



C



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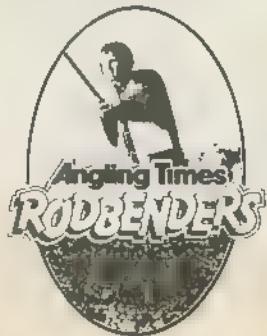
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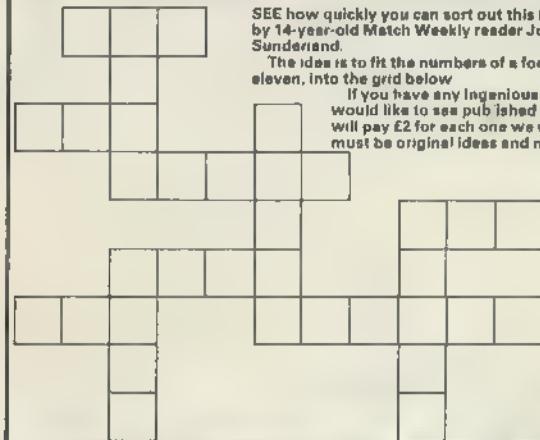


ONE TO ELEVEN

SEE how quickly you can sort out this fun-to-do puzzle sent in by 14-year-old Match Weekly reader John Carson of Farringdon, Sunderland.

The idea is to fit the numbers of a football team, one to eleven, into the grid below.

If you have any ingenious quiz or puzzle ideas you would like to see published send them to us and we will pay £2 for each one we use. But don't forget they must be original ideas and not copied.



Match Quiz

1 From which club did UEFA Cup holders Ipswich Town sign their Dutch midfield star Arnold Muhren?

2 Leicester City have won the European Cup, Winners Cup. True or false?

3 Aston Villa striker Peter Withe once played in a Soccer Bowl Final with Seattle Sounders. Was he on the winning or losing side?

4 One of the two Merseyside rivals have appeared in a record 18 FA Cup semi-finals. Is it Liverpool or Everton?

5 Still on the FA Cup, can you name the longest-surviving

non-league side in last year's competition. And can you remember who knocked them out?

6 Name the two brothers who last season faced each other in Celtic v Rangers tussles.

7 Which Scottish international full-back has just joined his brother at an English First Division club?

8 Who scored the goal that won the 1979/80 League Cup Final?

9 Name the four teams relegated from Division Three last season.

10 Which team scored the most League goals in the First Division last season?

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Make sure your entry reaches us by Friday, July 3. All 11 winners' names will be published in our July 18 issue.



NAME

ADDRESS

AGE

SIZE

TEAM CHOICE

SWOP SHOP

OFFER: Arsenal and Manchester City souvenirs.

WANTS: Anything to do with Frank Stapleton, John Hollins, Joe Corrigan or Pat Jennings.

Eric Gibson, 20 Ramsey Walk, Islington, London, N1 2RE.

OFFER: Chelsea football kit (28ins.) scarf and bobble hat.

WANTS: Any Spurs souvenirs except programmes. (30ins. chest). Lee Kaufman, 71 The Fairway, Palmers Green, Middlesex, N.13.

OFFER: Autographed Grimsby Town poster, 'The Tottenham Hotspur Story' book and two football annuals.

WANTS: Cup Final programmes and League programmes of any club. Pravin Patel, 45 St. Kildas Rd., Harrow, Middlesex HA1 1QD.

OFFER: Subbuteo fence surround, European Cup and Jules Rimet trophy.

WANTS: Enamel shirt badges and other badges of any clubs. Chris Walters, 20 Jeffereys Crescent, Roby, Liverpool L36 4JT.

OFFER: All the Aston Villa players autographs, England v Spain programme (1981), West Ham v Liverpool Charity Shield programme (1980) and the autographs of Ray Wilkins and Kevin Reeves.



The day I nailed HAT-TRICK the Cobblers

By Gordon Hobson (Lincoln City)

Continuing our fascinating series on the elite band of players who scored League hat-tricks last season.

WINGER Gordon Hobson had always fancied himself in a central striking role.

And when his chance came in the final match of the 1979-80 season he wasn't about to let it slip.

Gordon slammed the first hat-trick of his professional career as his team, Lincoln, slammed Torquay 5-2 away from home.

Little wonder then that Gordon kept his place at the centre of the attack when the new season opened.

And he finished the 1980-81 campaign with 21 League goals — his best ever total — including four in an 8-0 thrashing of Northampton Town.

Recalling that home game against the 'Cobblers' Gordon told Match:

"The manager told me at half time that I would score four and he was right."

This was how it happened ... GOAL! Five minutes gone and Gordon put his side 1-0 up: "It came from a long kick upfield by David Felgate. The ball was flicked on over their centre half's head and I ran on to it to lob the keeper."

GOAL! Two minutes before half-time and Gordon made it 2-0: "George Shipley took the ball down the wing, cut it back and I knocked it in with my right foot from ten yards out."

GOAL! Striker Mick Harford had made it 3-0 after 48 minutes and two minutes later Gordon struck again to make it four and complete his hat-trick: "The ball was played over by George Shipley again, Mick headed it on and I nodded it in."

GOAL! Conversions by Shipley and Harford had already made it 6-0 when Gordon got his fourth: "I latched on to a loose bad pass and lobbed the ball over the keeper."

Shipley completed the rout with his second and Lincoln's eighth thanks to a penalty a minute from time.

Added Gordon: "I remember when we were 1-0 up Northampton had a couple of chances and looked like getting back into the game

"We expected a hard match because they came to our place having gone about ten games unbeaten, but we were going through a good spell ourselves at the time.

"I got the match ball from the game, but the funny thing is that I didn't get time to celebrate that night."

"When I got home I had a phone call from Yorkshire TV inviting me up to their studios in Leeds to do an interview with Derek Dougan.

"As a winger my best goals tally for one season was ten — I certainly found it easier in a central role.

"But there's no doubt I missed the presence of Mick Harford up front when he moved on to Newcastle around Christmas time.

"I became more of a target



Gordon Hobson — didn't get a chance to celebrate his four goals against Northampton last season.

man then and I only scored six goals after he left. Since then, however, Tony Cunningham has come in and done a good job."

With Lincoln gaining promotion from Division Four last season, Gordon is now looking forward to continuing his goal form in the Third.

"I'd like to think I'll be able to continue scoring next season. I think we were one of the best side's in the Fourth last season and the Third is going to have its bad sides as well as its better ones."

Mick Harford — his presence was missed when he left Lincoln for Newcastle last season.



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Spotlight on...

THE OTHER KEEGAN

OLDHAM'S Second Division promotion bid next season could be led by the best known name in football.

A former England schoolboy rugby trialist he joined Manchester City as an apprentice and in 1976 won a League Cup winner's medal at Wembley.

Mystified?

Well, Keegan's the name...

To be precise, Gerard Keegan's the name... popularly known as 'Ged', not to be confused with his better known namesake of Southampton and England fame.

The Oldham defender is now being tipped to skipper the Boundary Park club back into the First Division for the first time in nearly 80 years, now that last season's captain John Hurst has been given a free transfer.

"The manager Jimmy Frizzell gave me the job when John was out of the side for the last eight League games of the season," recalled 25-year-old Ged "and with only one defeat during that time we managed to stave off the threat of relegation."

"I really enjoyed the captaincy, and leading the side for the first time when we held West Ham 1-1 at Upton Park, was one of the highlights of my career."

Ged's football career first started when as a 10-year-old striker at St George's Primary School in Sale, he was spotted by Malcolm Allison who invited him for trials and later holiday training at Maine Road.

"Other clubs were interested in me, including Manchester United, but it was always City for me," recalled Ged who also had a promising rugby career in front of him, having represented Lancashire and North of England schools at fly-half.

He helped City to a Lancashire Youth Cup triumph in 1975 and the same year made his first team debut.

"I remember we were beaten 2-1 by Carlisle at Maine Road. They were supposedly just playing for fun having already been relegated. I came on as substitute for the last 15 minutes and kept my place for the next game against Coventry City in the 1-0 home win."



Just 12 months later he had won a regular first team place and played at No. 2 in the 2-1 League Cup final defeat of Newcastle at Wembley.

But soon his career turned sour and in the next three seasons he played only a handful of first team games, before finally moving to Oldham in a £25,000 deal in February 1979.

"I've no regrets about the move," says Ged, "I wanted first team football and I've got it."

"We have the makings of a good side here, and the youngsters who came into the side when we were struggling last season gained great experience. If we can keep clear of injuries with our small squad there's no reason why we can't be challenging for promotion."

Keegan on Keegan

GERARD Keegan has twice met his famous namesake Kevin.

"The first time was at Maine Road in 1976. He was brilliant in the Liverpool side which beat us 3-0. The second time, he scored one of the goals in the 2-1 win at Anfield, and they went on to pip us for the 1977 League title."

"I've never met him socially, but I know he is very well respected by players — me among them — he's a great player."

With Ged Keegan captaining the side, this is how Oldham Athletic finished the season in style to steer clear of the Second Division relegation threat.

Date	Team	Result
March 21	West Ham (a)	D 1 1
March 28	Watford (h)	W 2-1
April 4	Preston (a)	W 2 1
April 11	Chelsea (h)	D 0-0
April 20	Derby (h)	L 0-2
April 25	Luton (a)	W 2-1
May 2	Bristol C (h)	W 2-0



Club captain for the first time, Ged Keegan shakes off the challenge of West Ham's Frank Lampard watched by team-mate Jim Steel.

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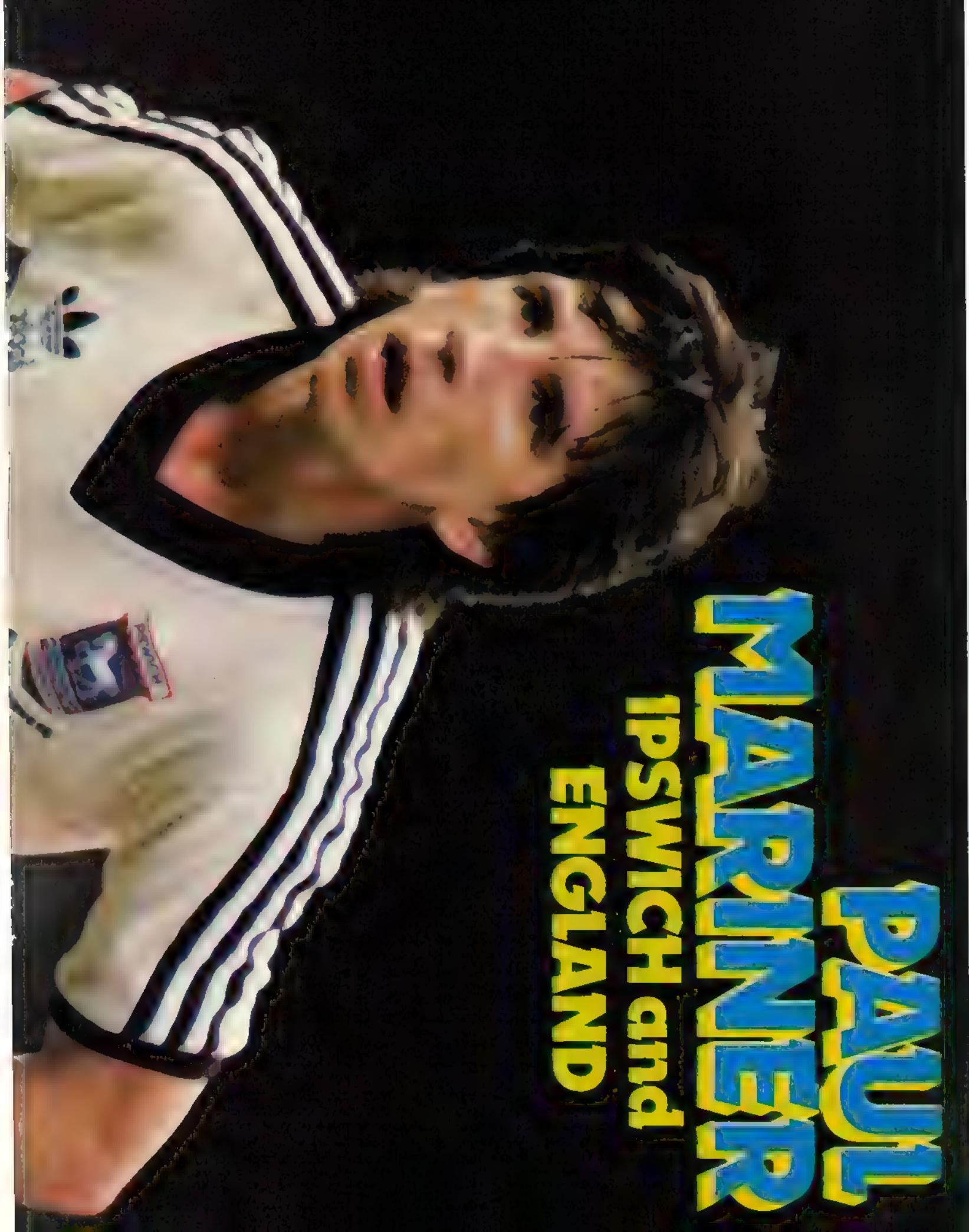
Year	Lge Apps	(Goals)	FA Cup	Lge Cup
1974-75	3+2	—	—	2(1)
1975-76	17+1	2	0+1	—
1976-77	8+0	—	—	—
1977-78	0+2	—	—	1
1978-79	4+0	—	—	1

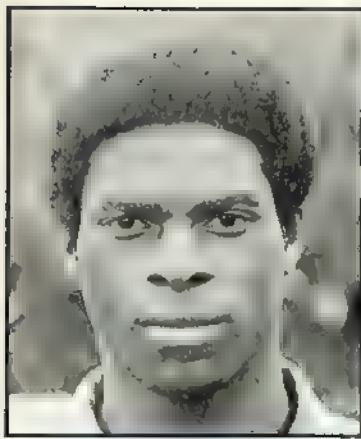
OLDHAM

Year	Lge Apps	(Goals)	FA Cup	Lge Cup
1978-79	19+1	—	1	2
1979-80	19+3	—	—	—
1980-81	41+0	2	1	3(1)

Hawaii







VIV ANDERSON (Nott'm Forest)

HE became the first black player to represent England at full international level when he made his debut against Czechoslovakia two years ago.

Over the past few seasons he has emerged as one of the best attacking full backs in the country, and, providing he can maintain his impressive form, looks set to eventually make the England number two shirt his own.

The Nottingham-born defender has made more than 200 League appearances for Forest and won two European Cup winners medals.



ALEX WILLIAMS (Man. City)

MADE his First Division debut towards the end of last season when Joe Corrigan was injured.

Manchester-born Alex took over the number two goalkeeping slot at Maine Road when Keith MacRae moved to North America. And at 6ft 2ins and 12st 8lbs he provides the same kind of human barrier as big Joe.



HERE are more black players in the league as international prospects.

Some have already made it. Nottingham Forest's Viv Anderson has already played at full England level. And players like Norwich City's Justin Fashanu, West Brom pair Remi Moses and Cyrille Regis and Coventry's Garry Thompson are all knocking on the door.

So we have selected an all-black side which, brought together, would combine natural talent, raw power, raw energy and subtle skills.

Now sit down and select your all-black team. We'll pay £1 for all those who publish.



CYRILLE REGIS (West Brom)

THE England Under-21 international is one of three black players at West Brom who are affectionately known as the 'Three Degrees'.

Powerful Cyrille, who was born in French Guyana, scored 17 goals last season to help Albion into one of the UEFA Cup places.

A strong, forceful player whose power in the air and deceptive turn of pace can upset the strongest of defences.



RICKY HILL (Luton)

ONE of Second Division Luton's three black players who have played a big part in the club's determined bid for First Division status over the past two seasons.

It looked at one stage last season that Ricky might be playing in the First Division this year, but Luton fell away during the dramatic run-in.

The London-born player would not look out of place in the top flight because he's a player with bags of talent.

DANNY THOMAS (Coventry)

ONE of the successes in an otherwise disappointing League campaign for Coventry.

He was voted 'Player of the Year' in what was his first season in the senior side and he played a prominent part as the club reached the League Cup semi-final for the first time.

Although brought into the side as a midfield player, he really made his mark at full back where his speed proved a major asset.



REMI MOSES (West Brom)

THE England Under-21 international is emerging as one of the most exciting midfield players in the country.

He was given his chance in the senior side in January last year and has been a regular fixture ever since.

It can only be a matter of time before the youngster gets his chance at full international level.

BLACK





PEDRO RICHARDS (Notts County)

LONG-serving Pedro will be displaying his talents in the First Division next season for the first time

Although he spent quite a part of his career at full back, he showed his worth in the centre of the defence last season alongside young Brian Kilcline as County returned to the top flight after an absence of 51 years

He was born in London but joined County from school and has made more than 200 League appearances



BRENDON BATSON (West Brom)

HAS proved a real bargain buy for West Brom. He came from Cambridge United for £25,000 after starting his career with Arsenal

Now he has established himself as one of the top defenders in the First Division and last season he opened his goalscoring account for the club with a spectacular header

MAGIC!

OUR LINE-UP

ALEX WILLIAMS
(Man. City)

1 VIV ANDERSON
(Nott'm Forest)

5 BRENDON BATSON
(West Brom)

4 REMI MOSES
(West Brom)

8 CYRILLE REGIS
(West Brom)

3 DANNY THOMAS
(Coventry)

6 PEDRO RICHARDS
(Notts County)

7 RICKY HILL
(Luton)

9 JUSTIN FASHANU
(Norwich)

10 VINCE HILAIRE
(C. Palace)

11 GARTH CROOKS
(Tottenham)

JUSTIN FASHANU (Norwich)

THE young striker was valued at well over £1 million when Leeds tried to sign him last season. Despite Norwich being relegated, Justin still managed to finish joint second top scorer in the First

Division with 22 goals. Now Justin looks set to be frightening Second Division defences next season with his bustling style and powerful running

GARTH CROOKS (Tottenham)

FORMED a deadly partnership at Tottenham last season with Steve Archibald

They scored 47 goals between them and Garth was also on target at Wembley in Tottenham's 3-2 FA Cup Final replay defeat of Manchester City

Garth finished up with 22 League and cup goals to show what a wise investment manager Keith Burkinshaw made when he signed him from Stoke

VINCE HILAIRE (C. Palace)

A GIFTED but unpredictable midfield player who is set to thrill Second Division crowds next season.

The London-born player seemed to have a bright international future when Palace took the First Division by storm last year

But the events of the past season at Selhurst Park may have affected his confidence. However, once that returns he has enough natural talent to go places.





Exclusive Match
Weekly survey
reveals when
top scorers
strike

GOALS BY

• **STRIKER** Paul Goddard (pictured above) was on target most often during West Ham's 'danger' period with five goals.

The full run down of goalscorers is:
Goddard 5, David Cross 4, Trevor Brooking and Alan Devonshire 3, Geoff Pike, Frank Lampard and Paul Allen 1. Total 18.

THE five graphs below show you at a glance when the top scoring teams in each division were at their most dangerous.

For instance Ipswich scored most goals (19) in the 15 minute spell just before half time.

The graphs do not include own goals.

IPSWICH Town were the scourge of First Division defences last season — notching up a total of 77 goals in their 42 League matches

And they were at their most dangerous in the 15 minutes before half time

Nineteen of their goals were scored in that period between the 30th and 45th minutes.

John Wark with 18 League goals was Town's top scorer, but only four of his goals were scored in the team's 'danger' period

Strikers Paul Mariner and Alan Brazil were the men most often on target just before half time — both netting five times in the quarter of an hour spell.

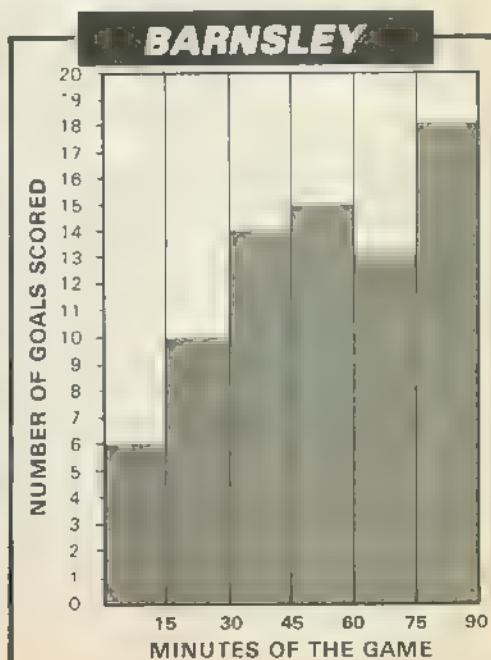
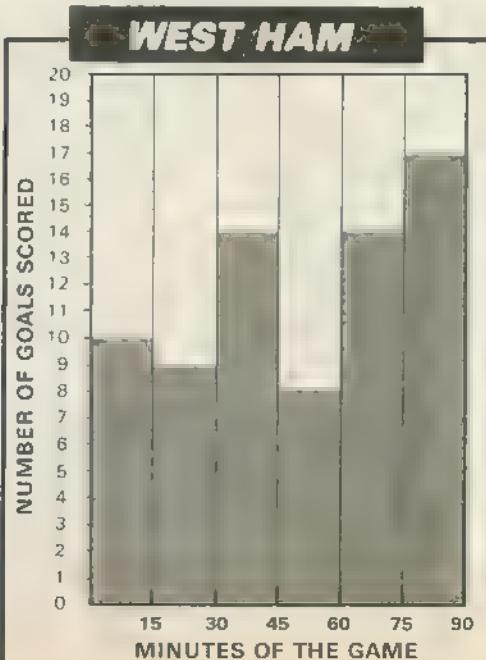
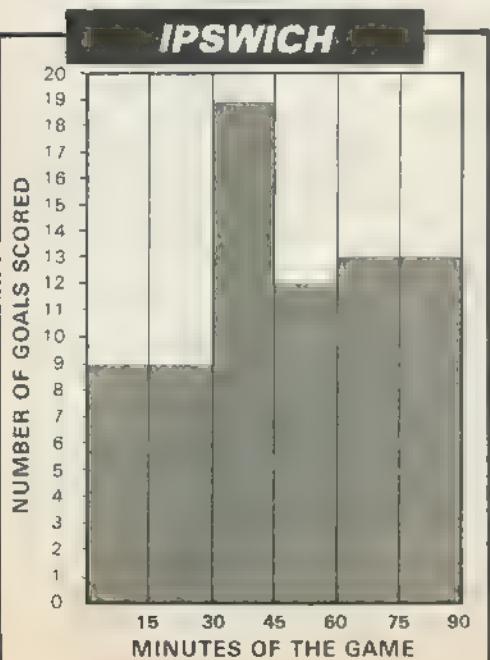
Second Division Champions West Ham were — along with Fourth Division

Champions Southend — joint top scoring team in the League with 79 goals to their credit.

But unlike Ipswich most of their goals came in the last quarter of an hour — starting slowly and building up to a crescendo as the game wore on.

Striker David Cross with 22 League goals was 'Hammers' top scorer and when West Ham played Grimsby towards the end of the season he scored four goals — two of them in the final few minutes — as his team won 5-1.

In the Third Division two teams tied for the honour of leading scorers — Barnsley and Chesterfield both netting 72 times during the League season





• Barnsley's Trevor Aylott (pictured above) — top scorer during his side's 'danger' period. The full list of goalscorers is: Aylott 5, Ronnie Gleavin and Ian Banks 4, Derrick Parker 3, Neil Cooper 1. Total 17.



• ALAN Brazil (pictured left) — Ipswich Town's deadliest marksman during their 15-minute danger period along with Paul Mariner. Both scored five goals.

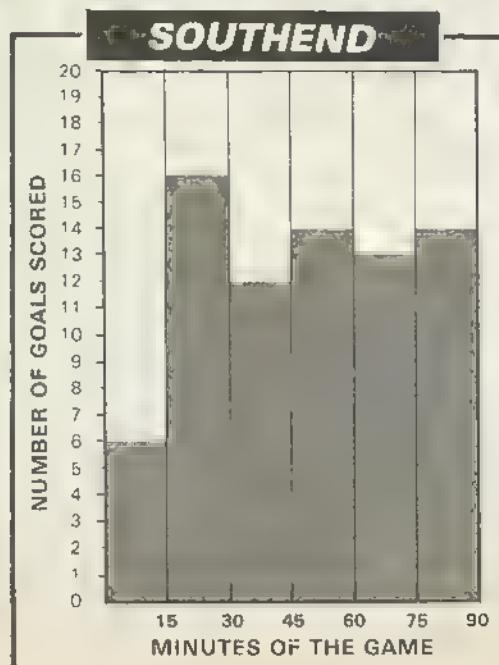
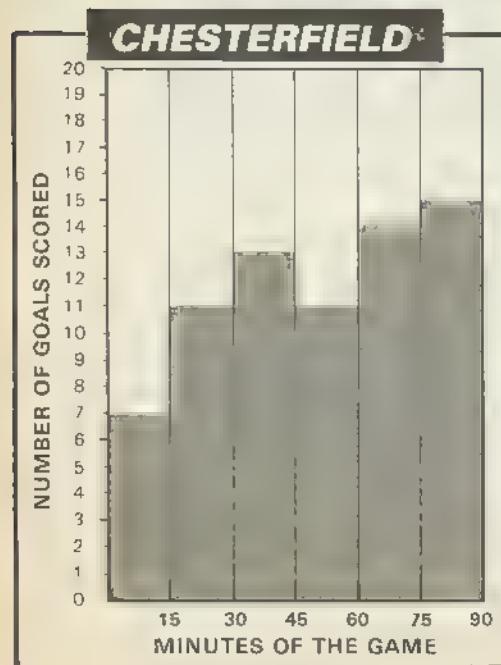
Here's the full list of scorers: Brazil, Mariner 5, John Wark 4, Eric Gates, Arnold Muhren 2, Frans Thijssen 1. Total 19.



Chesterfield's Alan Birch (pictured above) — the club's top scorer in the League last season and the man most often on target during their 'danger' period.

The full list of goalscorers is: Birch 4, Geoff Salmons and Ernie Moss 2, Keith Walwyn, Phil Bonnyman, John Ridley, Danny Wilson, Phil Walker, Andrew Kowalski and Alan Crawford 1. Total 15.

THE MINUTE



• SOUTHPEND'S Terry Gray (pictured above) — joint top scorer along with Derek Spence — in his club's 'danger' period with four goals.

The full list of goalscorers is: Gray and Spence 4, Tony Hadley 3, Keith Mercer, Anton Otulakowski, Alan Moody, Dave Cusack and Garry Nelson 1. Total 16.

oh, boy!

Scottish international team mates Joe Jordan of Manchester United and Graeme Souness of Liverpool made it a double celebration when they both welcomed baby sons into the world.

United striker Joe — sporting a plaster over a gash he received in the game with England at Wembley — is pictured right with his wife Judith and baby Thomas. Joe has two other children, Lucy and Andrew.

Liverpool midfielder Graeme is pictured below with wife Danielle, daughter Chantelle and baby son Fraser Scott. Said Graeme: "It's the most wonderful thing that has ever happened to me — even better than winning the European Cup!"



IPSWICH Town's first-ever success in Europe last season has been captured in a glossy souvenir booklet produced by the club.

Entitled 'Champions in Europe', the 50-page colour publication traces the dramatic story of the club's UEFA Cup triumph.

It is edited by the club's

IPSWICH BROCHURE

public relations officer Mel Henderson and it provides a comprehensive match by match account of the club's historic European adventure with a backcloth of superb colour action photographs.

It costs £2.45 and is available on request from the Ipswich club.

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Match Chat

Compiled by Bob Warters

STAR OPENER

THERE'S an intriguing opening day of the season clash in the Fourth Division featuring two former England centre halves hoping to make a name for themselves as managers.

Ex-Derby stalwart Roy McFarland will make his debut as Bradford City's player-manager in direct opposition to former Nottingham Forest defender Larry Lloyd who took over at Wigan midway through last season.



Scrapbook

48 weeks to go

THE EUROPEAN transfer market could have a big bearing on the World Cup Finals in Spain next year — if team plans are upset by some of the big moves rumoured.

• Will Joe Jordan be easily available

to Scotland if he goes to Italy and AC Milan?

• Will Karl Heinz Rummenigge face the same problem if Barcelona succeed in their £1million overtures to Bayern Munich?

• Will Hans Krankl stay put with Rapid in Austria or be re-sold by Barcelona as a makeweight in a major incoming transfer?

• And will the Catalan giants hang on to unsettled Bernd Schuster who is likely to be West Germany's most important player in Spain?

Finally what of Laurie Cunningham whose place in the Real Madrid team will be under serious pressure next season?

The England international striker could be a real match-winner in Spain.

ZICO — the man tipped to set the World Cup Finals alight next year — may stay with his present club Flamengo after all.

A group of financial backers are prepared to pay him the huge fees he is demanding.

If they fail to agree and pay his wages (Flamengo can't afford them) then it is expected Zico will make a £1million-plus move to

Italy and AC Milan.

Zico's grumbles about money have been supported by a magazine survey, however.

The magazine, 'Placar', found that European stars get more.

Zico earns about £700 a month, but by comparison Bernd Schuster of Barcelona and West Germany gets £2,000!

STEVE PHILLIPS

NORTHAMPTON



FULL NAME Stephen Edward Phillips.

BIRTHPLACE/DATE: London/August 4, 1954.

HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 5ft 6ins/10st 7lb.

MARRIED Yes, to Kay.

CHILDREN: Kelly-Dawn (5),

Claire-Louise (five months).

CAR: Chrysler Alpine.

PREVIOUS CLUBS: Birmingham,

Northampton, Brentford.

CLUB NICKNAME: 'Inch High'

WORST EVER INJURY: Torn thigh

muscle.

FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE

PLAYER AND WHY: Kenny

Dalglish (Liverpool) he's got

everything.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER

AND WHY: Mario Kempes

(Argentina) — exciting to watch.

BEST ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM:

Jennings (N. Ireland), McGran

(Scotland), O'Leary (Ire), Moore,

Wilson (England), Blanchflower

(N. Ireland), Charlton (England),

Baxter (Scotland), Greaves

(England), Law (Scotland), Best (N

Ireland).

ALL TIME INTERNATIONAL XI:

Brazil's 1970 World cup winners:

Felix, Alberto, Brito, Piazza,

Everaldo, Gerson, Clodoaldo,

Jairzinho, Pele, Tostao, Rivelino.

FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND:

Hillsborough.

FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM

AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED:

Florentina, Italy.

BEST GOAL SCORED: Any I score.

BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: One

by Jimmy Greaves for Spurs

against Man. Utd.

MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT:

Norman Hunter (Leeds).

MOST MEMORABLE MATCH:

When I scored my first League

goal for Birmingham v Spurs,

1972-73.

OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN

FOOTBALL: Scoring my first

hat-trick.

BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT

Being continually told I'm too

small.

FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS:

Golf, horse racing and snooker.

MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Playing

golf and being at home.

MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES:

Lateness, bad eating habits

FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Most

comedies.

TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH

OFF: News and party political

broadcasts.

FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER:

Blondie, ABBA, Wings.

FAVOURITE FOOD: Hot curries.

BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Norway.

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS:

Clint Eastwood/Jane Fonda.

BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR:

I'm not a film-goer

BEST FRIEND: My wife.

BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON

CAREER: Bill Dodgin

(Northampton).

WHAT YOU DON'T LIKE ABOUT

FOOTBALL: Hooliganism, losing.

SUPERSTITIONS: I've 100's of

them.

PRE-MATCH MEAL: Cornflakes

and scrambled eggs.

INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Five

England youth caps.

PERSONAL AMBITION: To see my

children grow up and be happy

and successful.

PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To

play in a Wembley final and

continue playing as long as I can.

CAREER AFTER PLAYING: To own

a pub or off-licence.

PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Kevin

Dillon (Birmingham)

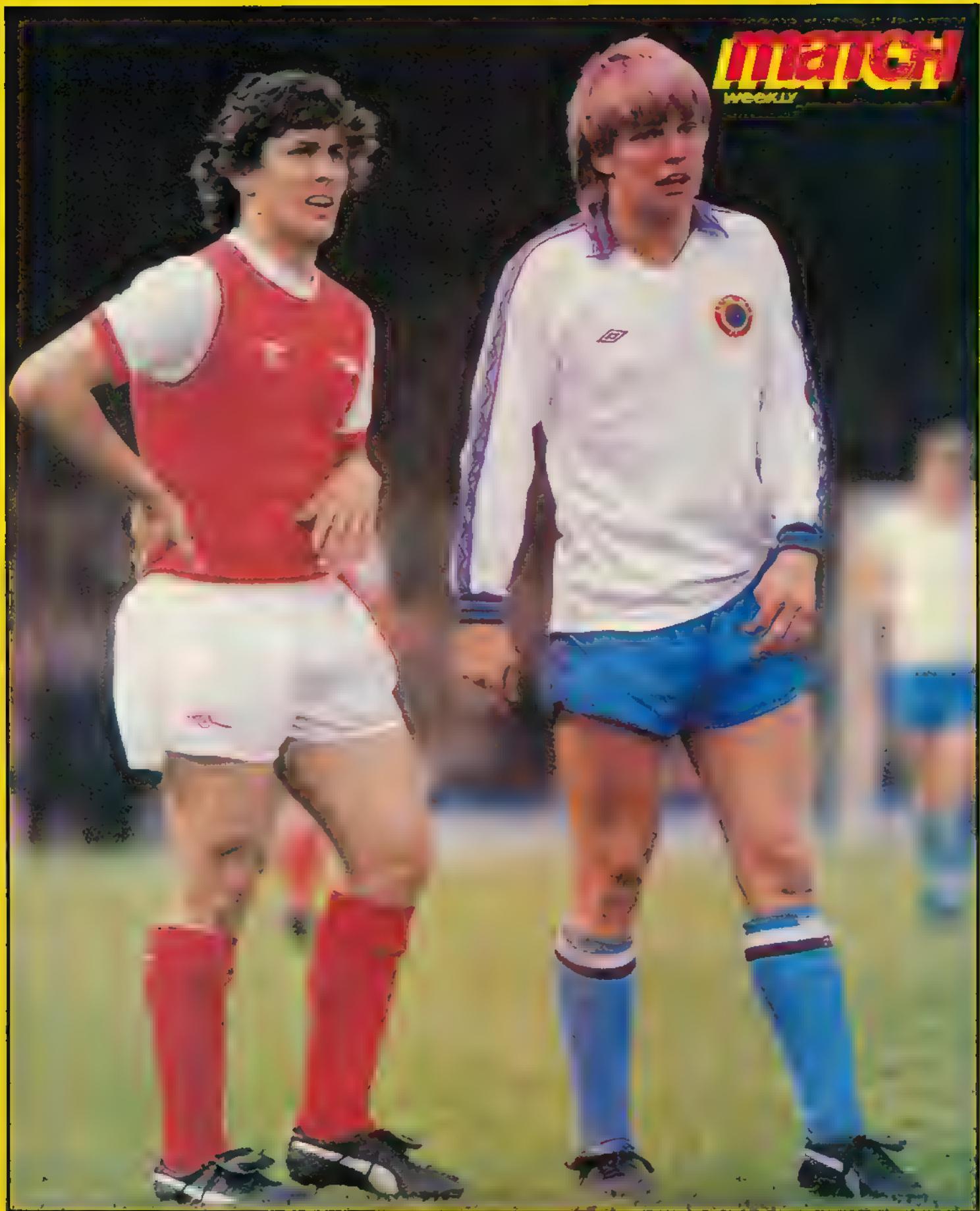
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO

MEET: Muhammad Ali.

ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Enjoy

your football — at any level.

Steve Phillips



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Arsenal

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Villa

Brooking's bombshell

TREVOR Brooking admits that his cracking goal for England which saved our World Cup hopes was 'the most important goal of my international career'.

"Nothing but a victory would rescue our chances of going to Spain," said the stylish midfield player, "and that goal put us back in the driving seat."

"It must also rate as one of

the best I've ever scored," added Trevor, who netted twice in England's 3-1 victory over the Hungarians in the Nag Stadion on June 6.

"The players around weren't sure where it was going to end up when it left my boot — but I knew exactly where the ball was headed."

"It was a great sight to see it stuck between the stanchions."

"I can remember the ball coming up so clearly — Phil Neal played the ball into Kevin Keegan in the penalty area. Kevin slipped his marker and stroked the ball to me."

"My main concern and steadied myself was to keep my head down and hit the ball on target. It left my foot just right."

GOLDEN GOAL



Keegan...idol of the commentators

I'M sick and tired of television commentators who idolise England skipper Kevin Keegan.

They seem to think he's the best player on earth — he isn't. In the England-Hungary game the commentator Brian Moore made all sorts of excuses when the Southampton player made a mistake.

I just don't think he's got it any more.
R. Henry, Whitestone, Nuneaton, Warwickshire.

I'M Anthony Hawkswell and I'm in charge of the 'Outraged' column. I'll stand no nonsense... any back-chat and I'll send you off!

I'll be giving marching orders to the writer of the most outrageous letter of the week and booking others who make me really angry.

And just to make it more interesting I'll pay £5 to the person I send off and £2 to each one I book.

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• Keegan's still tops with me! I thought he had a great game in Budapest. He's an inspiration to his team-mates and worth his place for that fact alone.

Right: Kevin Keegan with commentator Brian Moore.



SENTE

AFTER a run of poor results England finally came good in Hungary. Here are your views on that result and the state of our national team...

Barnes...a jewel

ENGLAND beat Hungary without Peter Barnes, but I still think there's room in our national side for the West Brom winger.

There's no more exciting sight than Peter in full stride down the wing. He's got the skill to beat defenders and put in dangerous crosses for our strikers.

I think Ron Greenwood should give his jewel of a winger a lengthy run-out in his team. Paula Ruxton (13), Dagenham, Essex.

Take that, critics!

ENGLAND have proved the critics wrong again with their fabulous 3-1 win over Hungary.

After the setback in Basle against Switzerland all the newspapers were writing them off and saying they wouldn't get to Spain.

But now we're back in with a chance. My message to the so-called experts is: 'Don't write us off yet!'

Thomas Farmer, Chingford, Essex.

Hart's your man

ENGLAND still need a centre half to replace Dave Watson and Ron Greenwood should look no further than Paul Hart of Leeds.

He's one of the best in the country and yet the England manager hasn't even given him a trial in the B team.

I can't understand how he can keep on picking players like Alvin Martin (West Ham) or Bryan Robson of West Brom. Robson is wasted there anyway. Steven Cooper, Hebden Bridge, West Yorks.

Right: Paul Hart of Leeds — he deserves an England trial

No mention of Arsenal

I WAS disappointed that Match Weekly didn't mention Arsenal in your recent 'REVIEW OF THE SEASON'.

After all they finished last season as the only team to be unbeaten at home. It was a disappointing season by their high standards but they still deserve some credit.

And Arsenal are in the UEFA Cup next season!
Mark Franklin, Tottenham.

• YOU'RE just jealous because you've been upstaged by your North London rivals Spurs. You're booked!



Daft plan

I'M outraged at Coventry chairman Jimmy Hill's attempts to curb hooliganism at Highfield Road next season.

His idea of charging visiting fans £5 each to get into the ground is daft — I can't think how it's going to stop hooliganism. Mark Feasey (13), Nunthorpe, Middlesbrough, Cleveland.

• At least he's making an attempt at curbing violence... which is more than can be said for many clubs. Give his idea a chance first before you attack it.



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STEPHEN SPARROW, 48 Lloyd Road, Worcester Park, Surrey.

I'M a football supporter of UEFA Cup winners Ipswich and would like a pen pal of my age who supports any team except Aston Villa or Norwich.
RUSSELL HALL (12), 111a New Road, Rotherham, South Yorkshire.

I'D like a pen pal of my own who supports Watford. I think they're the greatest.
ALAN ROBBINS (19), 68 Breckon Street, Whakatane, Bay of Plenty, New Zealand.

Pen Pals

I'M FROM Forest, Liverpool. Man. City are my favourite teams. I'd like a penfriend who supports any of those and likes collecting programmes.

STEPHEN HARRISON (13), 275 Reculver Street, Ashington, Northumberland.

I'M MAD about football and support Spurs and Plymouth like all other sports except cricket.

BARBARA CRAWTHORN (13), Broad Park Road, Plymouth, Devon.

I'M 13 and I'm a female pen pal who supports Leeds and Glasgow Rangers. My hobbies are writing, football and films.

JOHN LACEY (13), Edgeside, Crewe, Cheshire.

I'M 13 and I'm a female pen pal who supports Middlesbrough and would like a pen pal between the ages of 14 and 17.

JOANNE CARTMAN (13), Premier Road, Town Farm, Middlesbrough, Cleveland.

ENGLAND will QUALIFY

THERE'S no doubt that England will qualify for Spain.

They really deserved their victory over Hungary and it was a joy to see Kevin Keegan after the match bubbling with enthusiasm.

It was disappointing to go in at half-time 1-1, but our lads never gave up and after a cracking goal from Trevor Brooking we never looked in any danger.

Shahzadi Hussain, Walthamstow, London.



Did us proud

ENGLAND did us proud in Budapest when they beat Hungary

After the defeat in Switzerland they showed a lot of guts and determination to prove the critics wrong with a great performance.

The man I'm most pleased for is England manager Ron Greenwood. He played experience instead of youth and it paid off Well done!

Simon Chandler, Armitage, Rugeley, Staffs.

TERRACE TALK

DONS' MIRACLE

MOST of the talk last season was about Ipswich and Aston Villa — but spare a thought for little Wimbledon.

I reckon they deserve praise for achieving promotion to the Third Division despite board shake-ups and rumours of ground-sharing with Crystal Palace.

They lost their manager and chairman in mid-season but still didn't let it affect their form.

Don't forget football is also about small clubs like

Wimbledon, who achieved a minor miracle.

Andrew Woods, New Malden, Surrey.



Man Utd's Steve Coppell, seen in action against Ray Stewart of Scotland, has been England's most consistent player.

Coppell my hero

STEVE Coppell is my England hero. Our international side didn't have much to shout about before the surprise result in Hungary except for the performances of the Man Utd winger.

When we hit the depths against Switzerland his contribution to the match was outstanding — as it has been all through England's poor performances.

He never gives less than 100 per cent and yet he never seems to get the credit he deserves.

So while everyone is praising Trevor Brooking's cracking goal in Budapest — remember Stevie's performances when things weren't going so well.

Catherine Skilling, Annbank Station, Ayrshire.

Good luck Roy

ON behalf of all Derby County fans I'd like to wish Roy McFarland the best of luck in his new job in charge of Bradford.

Roy spent over 14 years at the Baseball Ground and would have made more than his 28 appearances for England if he hadn't been cruelly blighted by injuries.

He did Derby proud and we wish him well.

Bruce Dilks (14), Breadsall, Derby.

The Revie men

FORMER Leeds boss Don Revie should set up a training school for managers.

Just look at the players he's been in charge of who've made the grade as managers.

Jack Charlton took Middlesbrough to the First Division and looks like doing the same for Sheffield Wednesday next term.

Allan Clarke looks as though he's on the right lines at Leeds and Billy Bremner (Doncaster) and Norman Hunter (Barnsley) both led their teams to promotion last season. David Broch, Leeds, Yorks.

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"Hurry up dear - you're on TV!"

"And what am I bid for lot 13 . . . ?"

HEARD about the Irish football team that scored two goals and then declared! David Smith (12), Maltby Rotherham, Yorks

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Rangers swoop for

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IRISHMAN John McLelland steps into the unknown next season after his transfer from Third Division Mansfield to Scottish Cup winners Rangers.

The Northern Ireland central defender, who cost Rangers £85,000, admits that he knows nothing about the Scottish football scene.

"It never occurred to me that one day I'd be playing in Scotland — but when Rangers came in it was an offer I couldn't miss.

"There's not many teams in Britain bigger than Rangers — and I'm really happy to be joining them," said the 25-year-old, who just three years ago was playing part-time football for Welsh club Bangor.

John was signed by Rangers manager John Greig following Northern Ireland's Home International Championship game against Scotland at Hampden Park.

"It's a great move for me. I'm really looking forward to playing for Rangers and winning as many

John McLelland, who's made the unusual move from Third Division Mansfield to Scottish Premier League giants Rangers.

trophies as I can," he added.

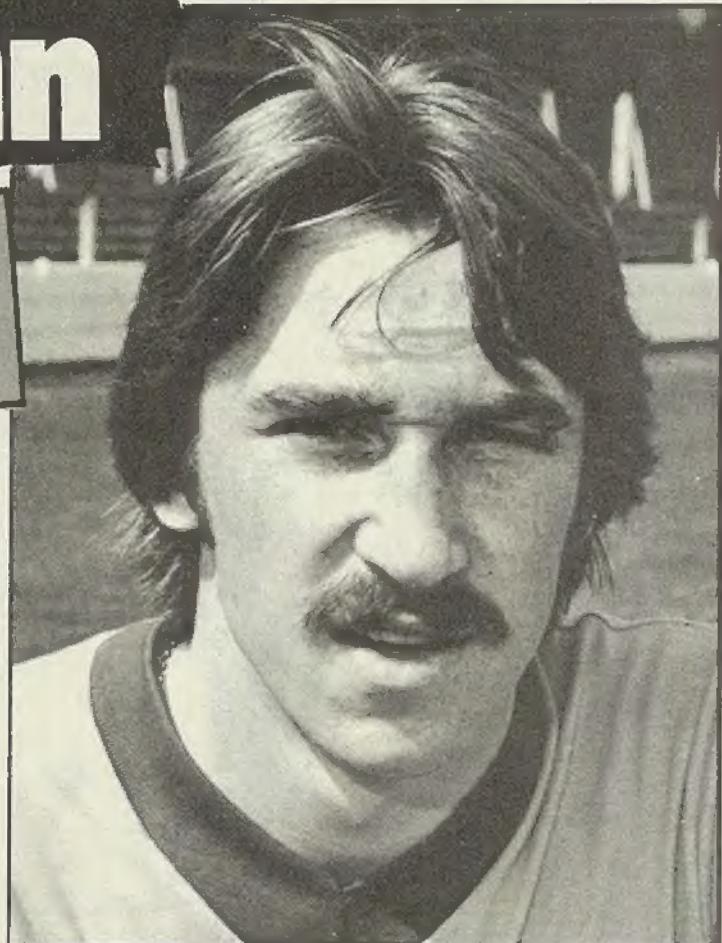
He must have given up all hope of making a career in the game after being rejected by Cardiff with just one first team game under his belt.

"Cardiff brought me over from Irish club Portadown, but I didn't settle quickly enough. It took me too long to adapt to professional football so I joined Bangor."

While with the North Wales side John worked in a hospital as an orderly — pushing patients to the operating theatre and back.

But after three years with the part-time club Mansfield stepped in and gave the Belfast-born defender another chance to make the grade.

And he repaid them with over 120 league appearances and a handsome profit on their modest £8,000 outlay to Bangor.



Below: West Brom's exciting midfield discovery Remi Moses has been drawn by Simon Floyd (12) of West Runton, Norfolk. "He's outstanding for his age," he says.



STAR GALLERY

Right: Trevor Brooking, who scored two goals in England's 3-1 victory over Hungary, is the subject of East Leckie, Loughborough, reader Ashley Bishop's drawing. "He's a credit to West Ham and his country," says Ashley.

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Far right: This splendid action drawing of Everton's Steve McMahon was sent in by Joyce Hewitt of St Helens, Merseyside. She says of her hero: "He thoroughly deserved the Everton Supporters Club Player of the Year Award."



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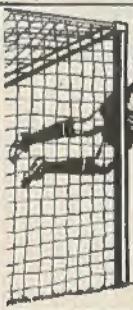
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Right: "You stay where
you are — it's crowded
enough back here as it
is." Manchester United
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lets Norwich City
striker Joe Royle know
where he stands.



Left: "You're right Jeff,
he is getting a little thin
on top." Birmingham's
Jeff Wealands (left) and
former Manchester City
player Steve Daley
(right) with Blues
skipper Archie
Gemmill.

Right: "Tackle him? I
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Above left: "Hey ref! I paid good money for this seat." A young fan looks up in amazement as referee Clive White takes a momentary back seat during the Daily Express Five a Side Tournament at Wembley.

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CAR: Ford Escort 1300.
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TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: Plumber/welder.
WORST EVER INJURY: Stretched knee ligament.
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FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: Arsenal.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Osvaldo Ardiles — he has so much skill.
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FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Anfield.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Japan's National Stadium.

BEST GOAL SCORED: Left foot volley for Middlesbrough Juniors.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Ronnie Radford for Hereford against Newcastle in FA Cup in 1972.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: Bryan 'Pop' Robson.
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Japan Cup Final.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Winning Japan Cup.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being dropped from the first team.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Horse racing and swimming.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Watching television and going out for drinks.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Long coach trips, ignorant people and polyester trousers.
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: The Professionals.
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: University Challenge.
FAVOURITE READING: Westerns.
FAVOURITE MUSICIAN/SINGER: Diana Ross and Stevie Wonder.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Coffee.
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: Japan.

FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: Clint Eastwood and Doris Day.
BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Breaking Glass.
BEST FRIEND: Tracy and too many mates to mention.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: My father and Middlesbrough coaches.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Travelling to away matches.
SUPERSTITIONS: Don't like walking under ladders.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Poached eggs.
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be successful.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To help Middlesbrough win a trophy.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: Don't know.
A PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: Middlesbrough's Colin Ross.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: The Queen.
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Listen to everyone who offers advice.

Mike Angus